eleventh annual
Graduate Student Symposium
An interdisciplinary showcase of graduate research around issues of culture & environmental change.

Featuring keynote speaker Dr. Jaskiran Dhillon,
Assistant Professor of Global Studies & Anthropology at The New School

Saturday, 10 February 2018
9 am – 7 pm

Science Hall 175
550 N. Park St., Madison, WI
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:00  Coffee and Bagels

9:20  Opening Remarks by CHE Director, Dr. Lynn Keller

9:30  I: War, Justice, and Resilience
Moderated by Dr. Sainath Suryanarayanan
Assistant Scientist in the Population Health Institute

Pearly Wong
Anthropology and Environment & Resources at the Nelson Institute
“Recognizing Plurality, Heterogeneity and Agency – A Contextualized Approach towards Environmental Justice”

Kathleen E. Alfin
History
“Boots on the Ground: An Environmental History of the American War in Afghanistan”

Owen Selles
Forestry and Environment & Resources at the Nelson Institute

11:00  Break

11:15  II: New Perspectives on Indigenous Knowledge
Moderated by Dr. Larry Nesper
Professor of Anthropology & American Indian Studies

Weishun Lu
English – Literary Studies
“Orchidelirium in Edwidge Danticat’s Work: Oscillating Between the Cosmopolitan and the Indigenous”

Chris Kelly
English – Literary Studies
“The Repeating Island of Indigenous Death”

Charles Carlin
Geography
“Nature, Ceremony, and Questions of Purity in an American Desert”
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12:45  Lunch Break

* A catered, vegan lunch will be provided in Science Hall room 140.

2:00  III: Growth, Development, and Futurity

Moderated by Dr. Katarzyna Beilin
* Professor in the Department of Spanish & Portuguese

Alexandra Lakind
* School of Education & The Nelson Institute

“The Future Child: Pedagogy and the Post-Anthropocene”

Thom Van Camp
* English – Literary Studies

“Toward an Archipelagic Romanticism”

Julia Reynolds
* Agroecology

“Growing from the Roots: Perennial Development in Post-Apartheid South Africa”

3:30  Break


Dr. Jaskiran Dhillon
* Assistant Professor of Global Studies & Anthropology at The New School

Introduction by CHE Graduate Associate, Laura Perry

5:00  Reception

* Please join us in room 140 of Science Hall for a reception from 5:00 to 7:00.

Artwork from the Graduate Student Art Exhibition will be on display at the Curatorial Lab in the Chazen Museum through Tuesday, February 13. Please stop by and check out the exhibit!
Graduate Symposium Planning Committee
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